



PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Examiner:
Denis A. Brosnan)	Tima M. McGuthry-Banks
Serial No.: 09/033,827)	Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: March 3, 1998)	Deposit Account No.: 04-1403
Title: Process for)	
Separating Hazardous)	
Metals from Waste)	
Materials During)	
Vitrification)	

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 1, 1999
please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 15 and 21-23.

Please amend claims 1, 10, 11, 13, 16 and 20 as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for separating metals from solid
wastes comprising the steps of:

providing a hazardous waste material containing at
least one volatile metal [metals] and at least one glass forming
substance;

heating said waste material in a direct contact radiant
heating device to at least the fusion temperature of said at

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